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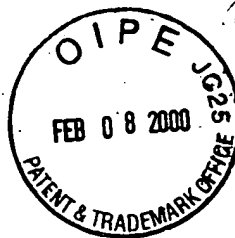
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on November 5, 1999,
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1 and 31 as follows:

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